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Dockets Management Branch Food and Drug Administration 5630 Fisher's Lane, Room 1061 Rockville, MD 20852

In reference to: Docket #98N-1230

Docket #96P-0418

Docket #97P-0197

Dear Sir or Madam;

This is to urge you to ban the forced molting of laying hens as a practice both cruel and dangerous. Forced molting has been proven to destroy the immune systems of the animals, leading to diseased birds laying diseased eggs. Salmonella poisoning of humans is a real threat and warning labels have been shown to be insufficient in the prevention of this. FDA has the authority to ban this painful, deadly process and must do so before a widespread outbreak occurs.

Thank you.

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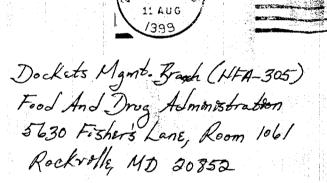
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